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90° increments so that the channels 320, drill guides 325, and the channels 115 and 120 are aligned.--

Please replace the paragraph on page 11, lines 16-22 with the following amended paragraph:

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--Referring to Fig. 16, the tines 405 can be spaced apart such that a bone screw or tensioning device can be passed through the intramedullary rod 400 from a different orientation than the tines to further secure the rod to the bone fragments. This provides additional fixation of the rod to the bone fragments. By securing the rod to the bone fragments from a different orientation, undesirable rotation and movement of the bone fragments is further restricted. Of course, the bone screw or tensioning device can be configured as the threaded tine 425.--

In the Claims:

Please replace claims 1, 18, 19, 21, 23-25, 31, 32 and 34 with the following amended claims 1, 18, 19, 21, 23-25, 31, 32 and 34. Please add new claim 35. For convenience, a full set of pending claims is shown below.

--1. (Amended) An intramedullary rod kit for fixation of a distal radius fracture, the intramedullary rod kit comprising:

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an intramedullary rod comprising:

a diaphyseal segment including at least one first mounting section configured to receive a tensioning device,

a middle segment; and

a joint segment including at least one second mounting section configured to receive a tine,

wherein the diaphyseal segment, the middle segment, and the joint segment define a curved configuration that is substantially similar to a curvature of the intramedullary canal of a human radius; and

at least one tine.--